GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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INTRODUCTION OF BIO TECHNOLOGY BY CBSE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the CBSE has recently introduced bio-technology as an elective subject in Class XI;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have conducted in depth study for the introduction of bio-technology prior to its implementation in the schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (PROF. RITA VERMA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. As per the information received from the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), Bio-technology is an emerging field of science and has enormous scope and prospects for the younger generation. This course has been introduced at senior school level in about 125 schools affiliated to the Board.

(c): No, Sir. However, the CBSE had taken feedback from various stakeholders before its implementation in the schools.

(d) & (e): Does not arise.